Assistant Director for Personnel

17 February 1955

Comptroller

Pay for CIA Reserve Personnel for Participating in Periods of Inactive-Duty Training and Active Duty for Training

REF : (A) Memo 28 Jan. 1955 from Asst. Dir. for Personnel to Comptroller, same subject.

(B) Exchange of five (5) letters between DCI and Secretary of Defense and Asst. Secretary of Defense during period 5 Merch 1951 to 23 Way 1951, subj: Training of CIA Personnel (JOT Program).

(C) Agreement dated 26 Nov. 1952 signed by DCI, Director, Bureau of the Budget, and Secretary of Defense providing for CLA to reimburse Defense for certain officers

"detailed or assigned" to CIA.

(1) Memo 20 July 1953 from Secretary of Defense to Secretaries of Army, Mavy, and Air Force, subject: Military Officers Assigned to the Central Intelligence Agency.

(E) Letter dated 25 January 1954 from DCI to Chief, Naval Operations, subject: Pay of CIA Personnel Receiving Naval Training. (Copy attached)

- 1. The specific query raised in your memorandum (Reference A) concerning the possibility of CIA reimbursing the Military Establishment for the cost of military reserve training for CIA personnel has not been previously considered by the Agency. However, the general question of whether or not CIA should reimburse the Defense Department for the cost of certain types of military training has been the subject of previous discussions and correspondence, and since some of the same principles seem to be involved in your query we have referenced above for your information the previous correspondence on this general subject.
- 2. The Agency has taken the position in the past (See References (B) and (E)) that the Defense Department is the primary beneficiary of military training given to CIA personnel, and that the Defense Department should bear the cost of such training. The Defense Department has statutory responsibility for the training of Reserve Officers and the Defense appropriation act for FY 1955 (P.L. 458 - 83rd Congress) provided funds

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in the amounts of \$90,000,000, \$78,100,000 and \$28,000,000 for the Army, Navy, and Air Forces, respectively, to cover the cost of reserve training programs for FY 1955. It would appear that in the absence of specific statutory authority that the CIA would have no basis for supplementing the military appropriations by reimbursing the Defense Department for reserve training costs.

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